

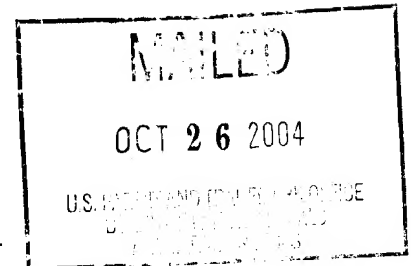
**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES**

Ex parte BARKUR G. BHAT, SEKHAR S. BODDUPALLI,  
GANESH M. KISHORE, JINGDONG LIU,  
SHAUKAT H. RANGWALA, and MYLAVARAPU VENKATRAMESH

Appeal No. 2004-2136  
Application No. 09/267,199

**REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF APPEAL**



Before HARKCOM, Acting Chief Administrative Patent Judge.

The Board is in receipt of appellant's request to suspend the appeal in this case pending the decision in In re Fisher, (Application No. 09/619,643, BPAI Appeal No. 2002-2046), pending before the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. In considering the matter, it appears that a decision in the Fisher case will aid in the resolution of the issues pending in this appeal. Accordingly, the request is granted to the extent that the Board will postpone consideration of the appeal in this case pending a decision in In re Fisher. See, MPEP § 1213, at 1200-31 (8<sup>th</sup> ed., Rev. 2, May 2004).

So ordered.

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